

REMARKS

The Applicants acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of the Office Action mailed November 19, 2004. Claims 1-14 were pending in the instant application. The Examiner has rejected claims 1-3 and 7-13 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,798,775 to Bordonaro et al. Claims 4-6 and 14 were objected to as depending upon a rejected base claim, but would otherwise be allowable if rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitations of the parent claim. Applicants have canceled claims 3, 5 and 8. Applicants have amended claims 1, 4, 6, 7, 9 and 10 to more accurately reflect that which Applicants believe to be the invention. Applicants have also added new claim 15 to more clearly claim that which Applicants believe to be the invention.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter set forth by the Examiner in the outstanding Office Action introduced by original claim 5. Claim 7 has been amended to include that subject matter deemed allowable by the Examiner in the Office Action introduced in claim 14. Claims 4, 6, 9, and 10 have been amended to reflect the changes in dependency resulting from the canceled claims. Claim 15 has been added to list relevant access types as shown in Figures 2 and 3 of the instant application. No new matter has been added to the amended claims.

All remaining claims either depend from or are independently directed to allowable subject matter and are in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all present claims are patentably distinct over the art of record and in condition for allowance thereof. Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes there are any further matters, which need to be discussed in order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

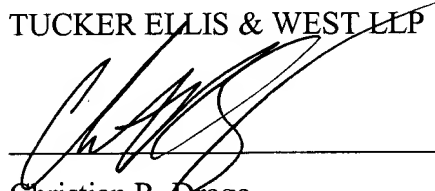
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Respectfully submitted,

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